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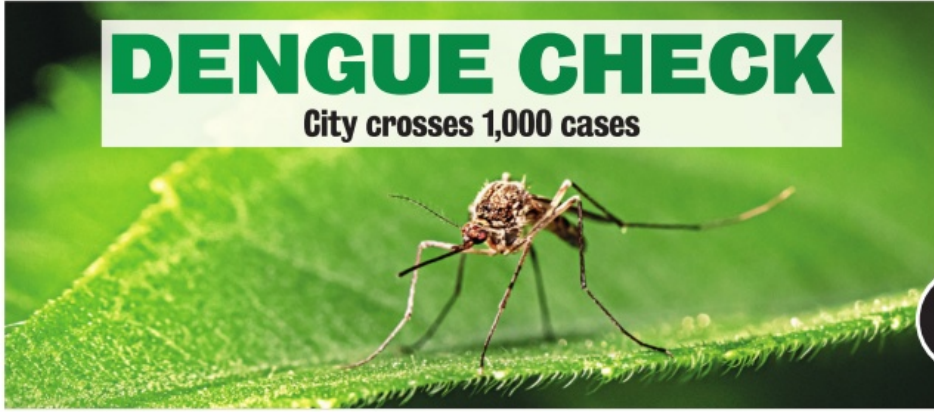
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DENGUE CHECK

City crosses 1,000 cases



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WILDING

Up against concrete



Debit/credit card fraud, phishing attacks most rampant in Bengaluru east followed by south, central, north and west divisions

CARD TRICK

300 cases analysed by researchers at Karnatak University, Dharwad

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Topping the list, Bengaluru east accounted for most of the fraudulent credit and debit card transactions in the city.

An analysis of 300 cases of such fraud over the last five years from across Bengaluru showed that it is mostly the residents from the eastern part of Bengaluru that are falling prey to this crime.

As many as 20% of the victims of credit and debit card frauds turned out to be from Bengaluru east, 17.7% were from Bengaluru south, 14.7% were from the Bengaluru central, 13.7% from Bengaluru north and around 13% of the victims were from Bengaluru west.

The analysis was conducted by researchers from the department of studies in criminology and forensic science, Karnatak University, Dharwad.

"While the majority of the cases were reported from the eastern part of the city, the least were observed in the northeast (8.3%) of Bengaluru. East Bengaluru includes areas like Marathahalli and Sarjapur which are IT hubs. The residents here are mostly individuals working for reputed MNCs and earn decent pay checks. On the contrary, the



52.7% cases were debit card fraud, 47.3% were credit card fraud; majority of victims were males

— Yerriswamy K, cyber forensic consultant

northeast is an industrial area with medical and engineering colleges. It is mostly occupied either by students or daily wagers who work at factories," explained Yerriswamy K, cyber

forensic consultant and research scholar.

Experts said fraud cases related to debit and credit cards and those which involve phishing are more rampant in Bengaluru

compared to other parts of Karnataka. Moreover, debit card thieves get around PIN obstacles owing to the negligence of cardholders. Often, individuals

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Cross that bridge now

Commuters tell BM about pitiable state of old bridge at Varthur, why the stretch needs immediate care



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Citizens and motorists using Varthur old bridge are worried. They said the stretch is not at all fit for commuting as a part of the construction is broken. They told Bangalore Mirror that traversing the bridge is quite a dangerous task.

Commuters BM spoke to said, in parts of the bridge, water has accumulated making the commute further dangerous for those using the bridge.

"The bridge is in a terrible condition. There is not a single spot which is safe. If nothing is done soon then a major accident is waiting to happen here," Raman Kumar told BM.

Nithin Chacko said the water that gets accumulated on the bridge makes the road slippery and those passing by on two-wheelers risk skidding and falling. According to the commuters, the bridge has gathered slush, it is uneven.

"Now that it is raining almost every second day, the road has become dangerous furthermore. It is always slippery and muddy. The waterlogged parts of the road are causing major inconvenience to the commuters," Rakshith Joshi told BM.

Seeing that no action is being taken by authorities to improve the condition of the bridge, commuters have taken it upon themselves to make the people aware of the current condition of the road and urge them to take other routes. Shiva Krishnamurthy, another commuter, said,

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3 THINGS TO DO



01 Film talk

Catch a special film festival showcasing 14 films that aims to bring together documentary films/alternative cinema that share stories and insights about people's resistance to oppressive regimes, dehumanising socio-cultural practices and also positive stories of transformation and change. Students are especially encouraged to participate.
Where: St. Joseph's University Auditorium, Langford Road
When: Oct 19 - 21
Register: cognitofirms.com/BangaloreFilmSociety/RegistrationFormForAaneMatthulruveStoryOfARepublicTheElephantAndTheAntStoryOfARepublic



02 Earthen Lights

This festive season, Tamaala is back with its annual event Earthen Lights presenting lamps and lights made from earthen elements by 60+ rural and tribal artisans from Jodhpur, Bhuj, Villupuram, Ramanagara, Belgaum, Udipi and co-operatives in Bengaluru Rural. All art forms are exhibited here to celebrate the earth as we know it in its native form.
Where: Studio Tamaala, JP Nagar, & www.tamaala.com
When: Till Oct 23, 10 am - 9 pm
Contact: 7676197344

03 Weaving voices



Bhoomija presents Roysten Abel's 'Weaving Voices', an immersive aural and visual treat that seamlessly blends music, theatre, and design. The production features some of the biggest names in the music and allied arts scenes, such as Bombay Jayashri, Uday Bhawalkar, MD Pallavi, Deu Khan Manganiyar, Rasika Shekar, Apoorva Krishna, Sumesh Narayanan, and MT Aditya Srinivasan.
Where: Chowdiah Memorial Hall
When: 21 Oct (7 pm), 22 Oct (11 am & 7 pm)
Tickets: bookmyshow.com

The sting is back!

B'luru crossed 1,000-mark this year for dengue cases; keep your surroundings clean and visit your doctor if feeling sick

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Rains are back in the city and so are vector-borne diseases like dengue and chikungunya, and doctors report a high number of suspected cases testing positive for dengue.

Surprisingly, the test positivity rate (TPR) for dengue this year has been found to be 20 per cent -- more than the TPR for Covid.

As per statistics by the Department of Health and Family Welfare, there has been no dengue or chikungunya death in Bengaluru this year. However, four dengue deaths have been reported in the state (two from Udipi and one each from Chikkaballapur and Vijayapura).

Latest statistics say that 5,797 dengue cases have been reported in the state this year including 1,227 in BBMP limits. Till July, Karnataka reported 2,427 dengue cases including 585 in BBMP limits. From August 1 to October 15, BBMP reported 642 dengue cases in its area.

Paediatricians have advised parents to look out for warning



Health workers conduct fumigation drive in a residential neighbourhood of the city (file image)

signs in kids suffering high fever. If the child has a fever greater than 101°F (38°C) for more than two days, or a fever of 104°F (40°C) or higher any time, seems unusually drowsy or lethargic, wheezing or is short of breath, a consultation is mandatory.

Similarly for infants (less than 1 year of age) who tend to get dehydrated easily -- it is crucial to monitor their urine output and watch for dryness of the tongue and if the child is looking dull.

In a viral flu, usually, kids become active once the fever has settled with medications. If the kid is dull even in between fever spikes the possibility of other dangerous viral infections like dengue or viral encephalitis has to be considered.

Chikungunya

Ten chikungunya cases have

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been reported within BBMP limits this year. The TPR for chikungunya is 4.5 per cent.

Chikungunya is a vector-borne disease and because of the

Paediatricians have advised parents to look out for warning signs in children suffering high fever with drowsiness, wheezing

heavy lashes of rain prevalent from the past few days, might be a major reason for the increase in cases. Pooling of water at various places and roads can also be a reason for this rise. Many doctors say that the cases could be much more as many don't get tested for it. Bengalureans should ensure that there is no stagnant water in and around the house as they can be breeding ground for the mosquitoes.

No takers for concrete structures in Cubbon Park

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Regular walkers and activists have raised objections to the concrete structures coming up inside Cubbon Park's premises. Walkers say that previous attempts to build such structures have been thwarted many times.

Despite the Karnataka Government Parks (preservation) act, 1975, that prevents the building of concrete structures inside the park's premises, walkers have observed unauthorised concrete structures inside Cubbon Park.

They urged the Horticulture



Workers busy building a wall at Cubbon Park

Department to stop the construction immediately.

The President of the Cubbon Park Walkers association, Umesh Kumar accused the department of being negligent. "We noticed the construction of a concrete

wall adjacent to Cubbon Park Police Station and a ticket counter near Bal Bhavan. Previously, the Bar Council of India tried to build a watchman room and we stopped it. A chamber for lawyers was also proposed inside and we

opposed it," he added.

Kumar noted that all violations are being raised by residents alone and Horticulture Department officials are being negligent about retaining the sanctity of the park.

"We want to protect Cubbon Park for future generations. If no immediate action is taken to stop it, we will be filing a legal case against the horticulture department and other people involved."

Tomorrow a case will be filed at Lokayukta regarding this, he added.

However, horticulture officials said that these structures don't fall inside Cubbon Park and lie outside the boundary of Cubbon Park.



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Good road remains a dream for this layout

Stuck in legal issue, this stretch on Meenakshi Layout Main Road is riddled with potholes, sludge

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Residents of Meenakshi Layout, Oasis Breeze Apartments and other adjoining areas were elated when the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) began asphaltting Meenakshi Layout Main Road one and a half months ago. They thought of having a permanent solution to their more than a decade-old problem.

However, their joy was short-lived when a landlord prevented the palike from asphaltting a stretch (20 to 25 feet) of the main road stating that the land belongs to him.

Bangalore Mirror earlier reported about the Potholes, puddles, and sludge haunting Meenakshi Layout. Finally, the BBMP authorities decided to asphalt the road but have to leave the stretch, claimed by a landowner, without asphaltting.

The un-asphalted stretch is full of rainwater with slush all around.

"We were very happy when the BBMP authorities began asphaltting but disappointed with them for not asphaltting the entire main road. It has become a tough task for us to use the road whenever it rains," said JC Reddy, president of Meenakshi Layout Residents' Welfare



An un-asphalted stretch of about 25 feet on Meenakshi Layout Main Road has made movement difficult for commuters and residents

"We tried to level the stretch but the landowner did not allow us. He even removed bricks kept on the edge to help pedestrians using the road"

— Kishore Reddy, Oasis Breeze Apartments Owners' Association

Association.

Demanding the authorities to take measures to asphalt the remaining stretch of the road, Lawrence Anthony, secretary, Meenakshi Layout Residents' Welfare Association has said the residents have been suffering for quite a long time due to the road's condition.

"We expected the BBMP authorities to asphalt the entire stretch that connects Meenakshi Layout to Varthur Road but they failed to do so. It will be helpful and useful for the resi-

dents if the authorities asphalt the small stretch by resolving the pending legal issues," said Lawrence Anthony.

Kishore Reddy from Oasis Breeze Apartments Owners' Association shared these views and has appealed to the palike to resolve the legal issue about the stretch of road.

"We tried to level the stretch but the landowner did not allow us. He even removed concrete bricks kept on the edge of the stretch to help the pedestrians using the road," said

Kishore Reddy.

A resident told Bangalore Mirror that the BBMP engineer engaged a contractor to improve and upgrade a small stretch in front of a Church and a temple with wet mix.

"A few people claiming to be local leaders of Siddapura compelled the contractor to remove the wet mix due to the reasons known to them. We are paying the property tax but have no basic amenities such as Cauvery water, underground drainage facility etc," said the resident.

Meanwhile, BBMP assistant engineer said, "I will try to complete the asphaltting of Meenakshi Layout Main Road after consulting my higher authorities about the court stay order on the land."



BM's report on July 27, 2021 on poor condition of the Meenakshi Layout Main Road

Another lake bites the dust?

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Lakes becoming encroached upon have become an endless story in Bengaluru. Residents staying near Rampura Lake have noticed that one side of the water body has vanished. They say the lake premises have been encroached upon and construction debris are scattered all around.

The water body has been shrinking, and a part of it has already dried up, they informed Bangalore Mirror. Ashwin Kumar, a resident, said, "There is a lot of construction debris scattered near the premises of the lake. A part of it has vanished. With each passing day, the lake is shrinking. The authorities are not doing anything to prevent the lake from drying up completely."

Residents have also noticed plastic waste scattered around the area. Ranjith Kaushal, another



One side of the Rampura Lake has vanished

resident, said, "A lot of plastic waste and garbage has been dumped on the lake premises. Although the lake is undergoing rejuvenation, such kinds of mishaps keep happening. Proper surveillance needs to be done to keep the lake clean."

Lake activists have said that protecting lakes should be the authorities' priority. Raghavendra B Pachhapur, working with ActionAid India, said, "We need to learn from the floods in the city for the last decade due to conversion of water bodies

and encroachments of waterbodies and rajakaluves. Protecting lakes by fencing should be the top priority."

Froth has started to form on the lake, and the residents fear the city is on the verge of losing another water body.

Some of the residents have also raised concerns about garbage being burnt in the area opposite the lake. Vishnu M Kumar, also a resident, said, "I do not understand the inaction of the authorities. The lake is being rejuvenated and such activities should not be allowed near the lake premises. There are a few birds that still visit the area. However, because of the smoke, they will fly off."

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) officials started rejuvenation work in 2019. However, residents say the work is still pending.

A BBMP official told BM that the rejuvenation work is ongoing and contractors will remove the debris if any. The Palike also assured that the lake was protected.

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Where do we walk?
Rajajinagar



There is no place to walk on this pavement near Orion mall.

Drain trouble
MM Road



The drain on MM Road near Fraser Town, opposite UCO Bank ATM is a hazard to pedestrians. BBMP needs to take urgent steps to fix it.

An unwelcoming road
Banashankari



The road on 8th Cross 7th main, Banashankari 1st stage, Srinagar has been dug up and has not yet been fixed. It is a menace for residents and commuters on the road.

Smart City, but is everything under control?

Integrated Command and Control Centre of BSCL was to be ready by August. Latest is it will take one more month to go live



At some areas, after-effect of Smart City work is punishing locals

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The Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC) of Bengaluru Smart City Limited (BSCL) is yet to start operation. The centre that is supposed to bring 14 different departments under one roof was expected to become functional in August.

While civic woes on various Smart City roads are piling up and residents lament the absence of an official channel to raise complaints, officials from BSCL say the centre will take another month before it goes live.

"ICCC will be launched soon. We are waiting for a few pieces of equipment to arrive, which has caused the delay. We are also upgrading BBMP's call center by incorporating new infrastructure and technology. However, every other aspect is completed, and we are about to reach the launch stage," said a BSCL official.

Smart City is currently in the process of calling a public participation meeting to improve the ICCC experience once it

goes live. The meeting will be attended by subject matter experts from the IT sector, NGOs, and research institutes such as the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and the International Institute of Information Technology Bangalore (IIITB). The idea is to make the Integrated Grievance Management Redressal System (IGMRS) of ICCC robust and efficient.

"The meeting will help us assess customers' experience directly. Smart City will utilise insights from experts' feedback for the project's future growth. The feedback session will focus on adopting the best market practices in ICCC, One City One Portal and our mobile app to further improve citizens' experience. We will elaborate on the features and uses of ICCC during the session and will collect the experts' feedback," said Vinayak Sugur, chief engineer BSCL.

The centre is expected to be an incident and emergency management solution for daily operations. It will integrate, correlate, and analyse data from multiple sources to create insights and a dynamic, geospatial, common operating picture to accelerate decision-making and improve response times.

"We are also incorporating a centralised surveillance system with video analytics to trigger alerts on abnormal events. The centre will also process revenue and asset-related alerts and will convert them into incidents.

These incidents will then be managed through standard operating procedures. ICCC will also ensure that the departments are connected with citizens through various integrated applications. It will be one of its kind experience, once operational. We are planning to make it live in a month," added Sugur.

Record rain in city this year

Bengaluru has received a record rainfall this year. According to the statistics from the Met department, Bengaluru has recorded 171 cm of annual rainfall till Monday.

This has breached the previous highest record of 170 cm recorded in 2017. However, the Met department has predicted more rainfall for the City as it may expect widespread very light to moderate rains associated with thunderstorms and lightning for the next two days with the temperature hovering around 26 and 20 degree

Celsius respectively.

Experts said that the monsoon withdrawal has been delayed this year as the south west monsoon was to withdraw by October 15. Met experts said that the cyclonic circulation formed over south east Arabian sea off the Kerala coast and other various active features have delayed the withdrawal. The withdrawal is still in progress, and the current withdrawal line is passing through northern parts of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, parts of Bihar and Jharkhand.

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BM had reported on October 16 about several shortcomings in CBD work

New road is ready, alternative is just terrible

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Soon the Varthur Lake Bund Road will be open to the public. This road connects to the Kempegowda International airport.

The stretch that was taken up under the CDP Road project in Mahadevpura to provide accessibility to larger areas had earlier faced hurdles due to land acquisition issues. However, now it's near to completion with the final asphalt layer will be taken up.

The four-lane road widening project would connect Anekal - Dommasandra-Varthur- Hope Farm- Seegehalli- Mandur and upto the Kempegowda International airport.

Clement Jaykumar, Secretary of Mahadevpura Task Force, said, "The road should have been ready last week but it was delayed due to the rains. Now a final asphalt layer needs to be done. Only when rain stops, the final layer asphalt can be carried out and it can be opened to the public."

However, regular commuters who are using the alternative road are finding it difficult to go through the road as it is in a very bad state with a large number of potholes, and water logging.

Jagadeesh Reddy, Member of Varthur

Rising, said, "This stretch is in its worst form. There are hundreds of commuters who take this stretch at a risk to their lives. The potholes are like huge craters. With rains and water logging, people are even unable to see the potholes. There have been accidents due to this. There is no drainage system along the stretch, and the water cannot flow out. A few days ago, we cleared the water out with the help of an earth-mover machine. We have even complained to the authorities."

A commuter Vishwa T informed that this was the SH 35 stretch that can connect to Hosur and Whitefield. "With the everyday rains, the traffic on this road is severely choked. For two-wheeler riders, it is risky as the entire stretch has potholes. The government needs to carry out maintenance of roads and look into permanent fixation," he said.

Meanwhile BBMP officials pointed out that they have been carrying out temporary restoration of the road to make it better for people to use the stretch.

Clement also added once the main CDP Varthur bund road is opened, the alternative route will be closed and the complete space will be designated for the lake. Further development will be carried out in the spare areas to enrich the biodiversity of the lake, he said.



The 4-lane road that will connect Anekal-Dommasandra-Varthur-Hope Farm-Seegehalli-Mandur up to airport will open soon, but till then a choppy ride awaits on the alternative road



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Bridge of apathy in Varthur



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"there has been no action, or no effort taken to improve the condition of this road. So, I decided to take a video of the road myself, share it on social media and make the people aware of the condition of the road by requesting them to use another road."

According to urban planner Ashish K, most of the roads in the city are caving in or breaking down because of the poor quality of materials used. "Moreover, after construction, regular supervision is required to make sure that the roads are well maintained," he added.

Meanwhile, a BBMP official said the civic body shall start work in the area soon.

Centre's orders to block accounts went against SC norm: Twitter tells HC

The Union government issued blocking orders in respect of tweets, content and accounts without following the relevant Supreme Court guideline, social media giant Twitter argued on Monday in the High Court of Karnataka and said its rights were also affected and challenged the confidentiality clause invoked by the Centre.

The High Court rejected an impleading application filed on behalf of senior advocate Sanjay Hegde whose Twitter account was blocked. He has already filed a petition in the Delhi High Court in this regard.

When Twitter's petition challenging the Centre's several orders to block tweets, content and accounts of users and related pleas came up for hearing before Justice Krishna S Dixit, senior counsel for the social media giant, Ashok Haranahalli argued that blocking orders were issued without following the

guideline laid down by the Supreme Court in the Shreya Singhal case. The apex court had struck down section 66A of the Information Technology Act in that case.

Twitter has claimed that the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) ordered blocking without notifying the users and even Twitter was not allowed to inform the users. Haranahalli submitted that there was no way of knowing if the procedures were followed. Since Twitter was an intermediary, its rights were also affected when the authorities do not issue notice to the user whose account was blocked.

He challenged the confidentiality clause in the blocking orders by which the users are not informed of the action taken against them. "Confidentiality clause is applicable to only third parties but it cannot be said that I can't disclose even to the aggrieved," he argued. **PTI**

Keep your cards closer

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note down their PIN on their card cover; once they lose the card, the PIN also reaches the fraudsters.

The analysis also shows that debit card-related fraud is more rampant than credit card fraud. "Out of 300 police-reported cases analysed, 52.7% were related to debit card fraud and 47.3% of the cases were related to credit card

fraud. Moreover, the majority of the fraud victims turned out to be males," Yerriswamy told BM.

Experts further noted that as ease of doing online transactions improved, the frequency of fraud in digital financial transactions increased too. Fraudsters today are more 'inventive' in their tactics of duping individuals.

"Our study showed that the majority of the cases were of OTP

frauds. Moreover, as many as 73% of victims lost an amount below 50,000 rupees. While every fraud case can be taken to court, the process and charge for getting the money back itself exceeds Rs 50,000; that is one reason behind this pattern of fraud. The fraudsters know that victims who lose below Rs 50,000 will ultimately let it go," said Dr GS Venumadhava, associate professor and chairman, department of studies in criminology and forensic science, Karnataka University, Dharwad.



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Regularise services of all pourakarmikas

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike's (BBMP) Pourakarmika Trade Union on Monday demanded the state government to regularise the services of all pourakarmikas working with the BBMP instead of regularising it for just a few thousand pourakarmikas.

Doctor Babu, general secretary of BBMP Pourakarmika Trade Union, said, "The CM should regularise not only 3,793 pourakarmikas but also the remaining 23,329 pourakarmikas, drivers, assistants, loaders. I have already submitted a memorandum to the Chief Minister and given 15



days' time to take a call," said Babu.

According to Babu, many of them are still not fortunate to be eligible for minimum wages.

"Due to our long struggle, the then Chief Minister Siddaramaiah abolished the contract pourakarmika system in 2016. As per I D Salappa

Report, the authorities have to regularise pourakarmikas after completing one year in service," he said.

"As per the norms, the authorities have to appoint one pourakarmika for every 500 people in Bengaluru and the city needs 31,000 pourakarmikas. But, there are only 28,329 pourakarmikas working with the BBMP.

"The state government should redress the grievances of pourakarmikas," he said, adding that he would take a decision on the next course of action if the state government fails to respond positively.

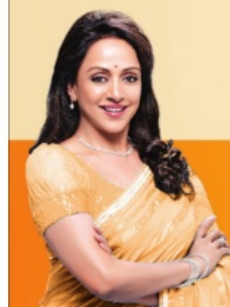
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Nightmarish Sunday for autistic cyclist

Speeding delivery man coming from wrong direction hits cyclist; victim hospitalised with fractured arm

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It was a situation you'd read -- or even see -- quite often in Bengaluru. A delivery executive, zooming past to reach his target, coming from the wrong direction.

Only this time, he ended up ramming into a 23-year-old autistic cyclist, who was grievously injured. The incident took place on Sunday when he was hit by a delivery executive on a bike coming from the opposite side near South End Circle.

Vishnu Raned, who runs a foundation for differently abled people said, "The cyclist has a fractured arm that needs to be operated upon with plates and screws etc. The rider abused the cyclist and also the first responder before speeding away. All this happened at a stone's throw from City Police South Divisional headquarters. Ironically, the cyclist, an autistic youngster, was following the rules, wearing a helmet, etc., It's about time these delivery executives and their management -- who has conveniently blocked such tweets -- is seriously held accountable."

Raned, who is also a CEO of a tech firm added that the autistic youngster was a role model as he was a high functioning youngster doing all these tasks on own. At 10 am, he was cycling with all the protective gears. Even after hitting the cycle from the wrong direction, the delivery guy yelled at the cyclist for com-



Speeding and riding on the wrong side are the most troublesome issues motorists face on city's roads

The rider abused the cyclist and also the first responder before speeding away

—Vishnu Raned,
CEO of tech firm

ing in his way. A bystander tried to help the cyclist but the executive even yelled at him and sped away from the place. The injured cyclist has been shifted to hospital and he is likely to be operated on Tuesday.

Suresh S, a college student said, "Many on social media have been raising issues on a section of delivery executives breaking rules. The netizens have alleged that many of the delivery

executives are under severe stress as they need to deliver their products within a stipulated time and late delivery would mean losing appreciation in terms of gaining ratings. So, many have been found to violate rules or are speeding away which can actually be dangerous not just for the executives but also for other vehicle users and pedestrians."

Pothole perils

A mother and daughter duo, Uma Devi and Vinuta, were injured near Sujata Theatre, Rajajinagar, as a rider swerved to avoid potholes and hit them.

According to police, the female rider was trying to avoid potholes, lost control and fell and got injured.

The issue once again raised concerns over poor condition of the city roads as the craters have

increased due to heavy rainfall. However, BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath said, "The police are investigating the issue and we still don't know if the accident was due to a pothole. If it is proved that she fell due to a pothole, then we may look at providing an ex-gratia amount. We are trying to fill up potholes but are unable to do so due to heavy rainfall."

According to Nath, there are more than 1,000 to 1,500 potholes on major roads. So far, 20,000 potholes have been filled up. Meanwhile, many have accused that the potholes on Rajajinagar stretch were filled using python machines and were not done properly. Nath said he will enquire into the issue and then take action.

Uma Devi has been admitted to hospital for further treatment.

Playing for glory



At the Pitch Burners Cricket tourney held in Sarjapur on Sunday, it was a memorable event that ended with Flame Boys defeating Fighting Falcon.

Bommanahalli's Manjunath was declared as man of the series.

The tournament was organised by Pavan and Rajit Nair. Many teams from Bengaluru had participated in the cricket tourney.

Drunken wife murder: Man freed

A man who killed his drunken wife for not preparing food did not commit murder and the incident was culpable homicide, the Karnataka High Court has said and passed an order for the man's release from jail.

The High Court modified a lower court order by saying, "The prosecution is not able to explain the intention of the accused to commit the murder."

However, there was provocation which enraged the accused to club his wife to death.

"... The woman did not prepare the food, that prompted and enraged the accused to take such a drastic step," said the High Court. **PTI**

NHAI to blame for road accident

Karnataka Minister for Excise K Gopaliah on Monday held the National Highway Authorities of India (NHAI) responsible for the national highway road accident which killed nine including four children.

The in-charge minister of Hassan stated that NHAI's negligence was found at the outset and preliminary investigations also suggest this. The people who are responsible for the tragedy won't be spared, he said.

They were killed on the spot after being hit by a milk tanker on the national highway 69, near Banavara town in Hassan district on Saturday night.

The pilgrims were returning from a Hindu pilgrimage centre in Dharmasthala and were relatives. **IANIS**



In recent years, the pace of our life has accelerated significantly and become much more demanding. This is particularly true of millennials. Stress, irregular sleep patterns, fast food, and a lack of physical activity have all become commonplace. To fight these lifestyle issues, it is critical to maintain a healthy diet rich in all nutrients.

However, we can no longer rely on a few foods to meet all of our nutritional needs. This is where supplements come in and help maintain the overall well-being of our body. But, with so many options available, how do we choose the right supplement? Here's a list to help us navigate the space:

Multivitamins

Multivitamins are supplements that contain essential vitamins and minerals that the body requires to function properly. While it is best to get all our nutrients from food, many people cannot meet their dietary needs solely through food. Multivitamins fill nutritional gaps in our diets and provide our bodies with a healthy supply of essential nutrients. They protect your body from diseases and deficiencies by supplying essential vitamins and minerals. They have been shown to reduce heart disease, prevent cancer, support a healthy body, and boost immunity to face daily challenges. There are numerous options available on eCommerce platforms and in the market at large, which are further differentiated based on the needs of men and women.

Omega-3

Omega-3 fatty acids are important nutrients to maintain a healthy body. It helps lower cholesterol levels in our bodies, resulting in a healthier metabolism and heart. Omega-3 consists of three fatty acids -- alpha-linolenic acid (ALA), eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA), and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA). It is an essential fat that our body cannot produce. Our food is the source of it. However, if food is insufficient to meet omega-3 requirements, fish oil supplements can be taken. It is rich in omega-3, along with other essential nutrients, vitamins, and minerals for the body. An adequate amount of omega-3 in our bodies improves focus and overall health

SUPPLEMENTS FOR MILLENNIALS

Five must-have supplements to combat modern-day lifestyle issues



by promoting proper respiration, cardiovascular activity, the nervous system, and musculoskeletal health. Additionally, it helps relieve neck and lower back pain.

Vitamin D

While our bodies have the ability to produce vitamin D through sun exposure, the sun alone does not always meet our bodies' needs, and

factors such as limited sun exposure play a significant role in this. Supplements, on the other hand, can meet unmet needs. Vitamin D is necessary for maintaining muscle strength, bone integrity, and blood pressure. Furthermore, it improves immunity. Studies suggest that vitamin D can help relieve headaches and migraine.

Biotin

Biotin, also known as vitamin H, belongs to the group of B complex vitamins. Biotin is known for stimulating keratin production in the body, resulting in healthy, lustrous hair. Research also supports that the production of fatty acids nourishes the skin and helps maintain the health of our skin. Besides this, including biotin in our diet helps to improve our metabolism. The consumption of fast or processed foods, as well as an unbalanced diet, frequently has an impact on our digestion processes. Biotin supports the digestive system in breaking down complex carbohydrates, amino acids and carbohydrates

Plant-based protein

Plant-based proteins are fast becoming synonymous with today's active lifestyle of millennials. Being lower in calories and fat than animal proteins but higher in fibre and essential nutrients, it provides the right fuel to the body to work out. A popular type of plant-based protein is a pea and brown rice blend that contains essential nutrients and a complete amino profile. Unlike whey protein, which is made from cow's milk and contains lactose, plant-based protein is a good option for vegans or those who are lactose intolerant. They are better absorbed by our bodies compared to whey protein. As a result, the body gains muscle, recovers faster, and gains energy and stamina. So, whether it is for a strenuous workout or simply to boost our stamina, plant-based protein is the way to go.

While supplements are not a substitute for a well-balanced diet, they do provide us with essential daily nutrients that help us stay healthy. Thus, investing in supplements is an essential step toward optimum wellness.

—Akash Bedi, Swisse India Business Head and Chief Strategy, IANSLife

MIND, BODY & HEART



All you need to know about...

Contact dermatitis

What is it?

Contact dermatitis is caused by irritation from, or an allergy to, something in contact with your skin. It results in an itchy rash, which sometimes blisters.

What are the symptoms?

A red, burning rash with blisters that burst, crust over and leave the skin dry, scaly, cracked and tender.

What causes it?

Contact dermatitis may be toxic - for instance due to corrosive acid - or allergic, from an allergen like nickel, or from primula plants. Both damage your skin's outer protective layer and cause inflammation.

Common irritants include cleaning products, rubber gloves, hair products, soap, airborne substances, certain plants, fertilisers and pesticides.

Common allergens that trigger an immune reaction in your skin include nickel in jewellery, medications, personal care products, plants, airborne allergens and products that cause a reaction when you're in the sun if you're light sensitive.

What's the treatment?

Firstly, you need to identify and avoid the allergens or irritants that affect you. If your skin is sore, inflamed and blistered, speak to your GP who may prescribe a topical corticosteroid to rapidly quell the inflammation. Steroid tablets may be needed for a severe, widespread, weeping rash. Once the skin starts to heal, use a moisturising cream such as E45 applied directly and liberally to the skin to reduce water loss and cover it with a protective film. Moisturisers are often used to help manage dry or scaly skin conditions.

Contact dermatitis can erupt again any time you expose your skin to the trigger.

—Dr Miriam Stoppard, Daily Mirror



MIRRORLIGHTS

Take blood pressure pills any time of day... or night

More than one billion people have high blood pressure worldwide, and it has become the leading global cause of early death.

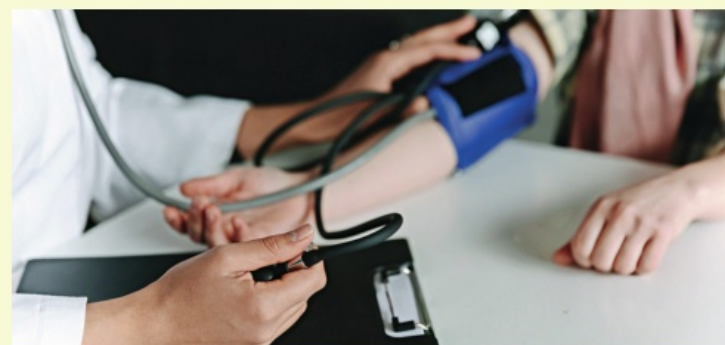
But there has been a big unresolved question about the timing of taking blood pressure medication. There have been claims that people should take their medicine at night.

Night-time blood pressure was thought to be a better predictor of cardiovascular outcomes than daytime readings. However, the TIME trial - the largest study to date on the issue - found that there was no meaningful difference in rates of hospitalisation for heart attack, stroke and vascular

death between people who took their medication in the morning and those who took it in the evening.

Professor Bryan Williams of University College London is on the steering committee for the TIME trial, which involved more than 21,000 patients over five years, and has confirmed that taking blood pressure tablets in the evening is no better than in the morning to protect against the diseases and risks of hypertension.

"There has been much controversy and uncertainty over a simple question affecting hundreds of millions of people worldwide. The answer is no. Patients should take



their tablets when they are most likely to remember to take them," Williams added

Professor Sir Nilesh Samani, medical director at the British Heart Foundation, which funded the study, said, "These results

show that the time of the day people take their blood pressure tablets does not matter and they should take them at the time that suits them best".

—Dr Miriam Stoppard, Daily Mirror

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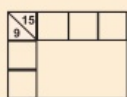
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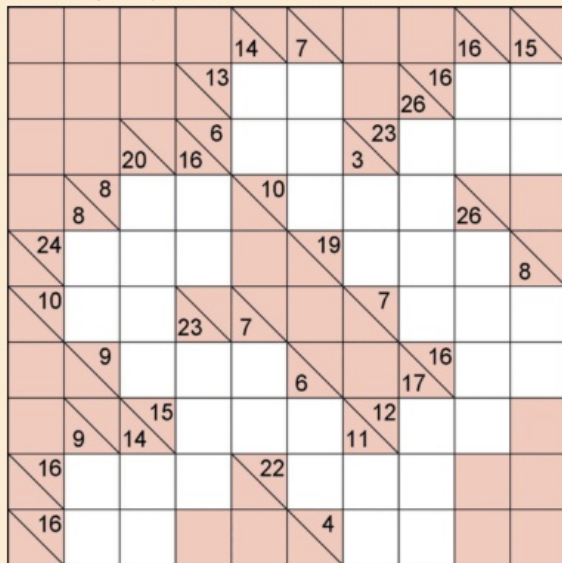
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas

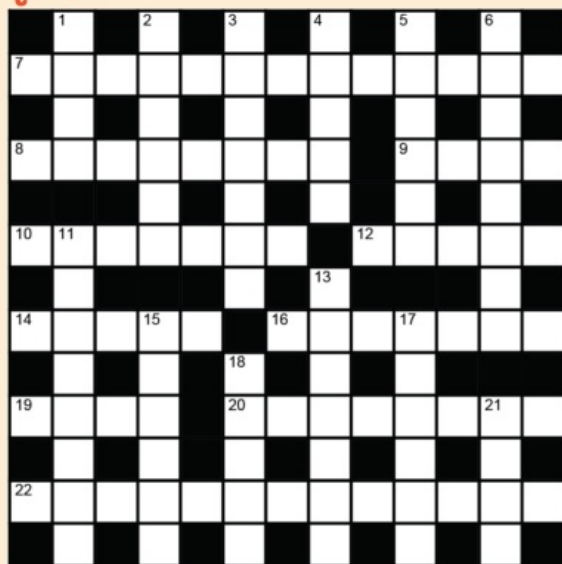


for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



Quick



ACROSS

- 7 Extent to which something is annoying (8,5)
- 8 Current-not passe? (2,2,4)
- 9 Famous temple in Basavanagudi (4)
- 10 Twisted the body about, as in pain (7)
- 12 Moral values (5)
- 14 Mitigate, ease or calm (5)
- 16 Small docile canines (7)
- 19 Unison (abbrev.). (4)
- 20 Obligated (8)
- 22 An uncompromising attitude (13)

DOWN

- 1 Rubbish tip (4)
- 2 He who hesitates ____? (2,4)
- 3 Glasses in (7)
- 4 Artist's cap (5)
- 5 Opening chess move (6)
- 6 Bossing around (8)
- 11 Passing along (8)
- 13 Srinagar locale (7)
- 15 Agreement (6)
- 17 India's cricket trophy (6)
- 18 Black wood (5)
- 21 Engrave (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: K EQUALS T
KTP MCPWPKNP JPWCZQPNP
GSFPN XCSF JSCY QSK HSQP.



Linemaro

You are my favourite person



Mindchow

It is hard enough to remember your opinions, without also remembering your reasons for them



Joke of the day

Cannibals are not vegetarians, they are humanitarians

Loop

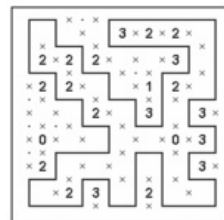
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

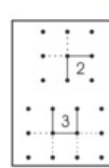
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) - Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

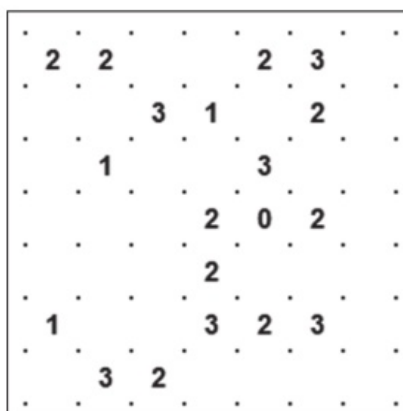
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



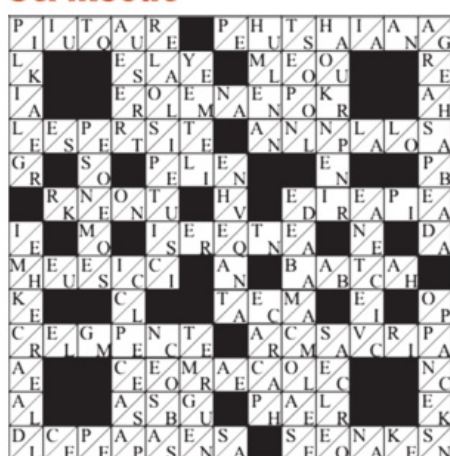
(Fig A)



(Fig B)
Not Allowed



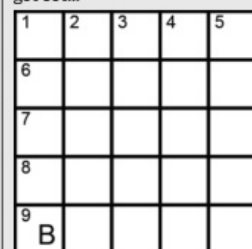
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

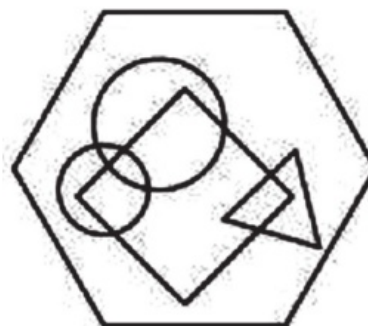
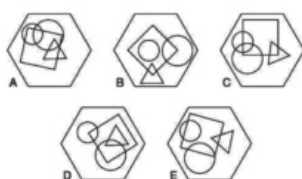
- 1 Salps; 6 Lab IQ;
- 7 Haunt; 8 Genoa;
- 9 Orbed

DOWN

- 1 QB USA; 2 Log in;
- 3 Or bah; 4 Nepal;
- 5 Dates

Mensapuzzle

Which hexagon below has most in common with the hexagon above?



Bull's eye

How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

07 Average; 08 Good; 10 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge



To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Easy

$\square \square \square \square = 5$

$\square \square \square \square = 8$

$\square \square \square \square = 8$

$\square \square \square \square = 24$

$\square \square \square \square = 24$

$\square \square \square \square = 24$

Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sleeve is longer. 2. Top of vest is lower. 3. Test tube is shorter. 4. Clip is missing from clipboard. 5. Pocket is missing. 6. Label is missing.

Riddler

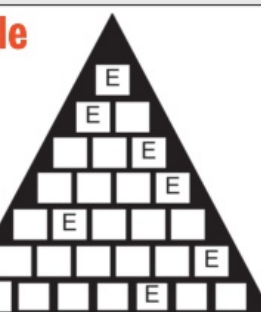
In each group below, the three words end in the same three letters, so they look like they should rhyme, but they don't. See if you can figure out the missing letters in each group. Example: plo __, tho __, to __ would be plough, though, tough.

1. c __, forw __, rew __
2. cr __, p __, sk __
3. b __, d __, g __

Alpha triangle

- 1 Second vowel
- 2 tu Brute...
- 3 Broke bread
- 4 Hoffmann creation
- 5 Tin or iron
- 6 Hot dish
- 7 Porridge constituent

Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be



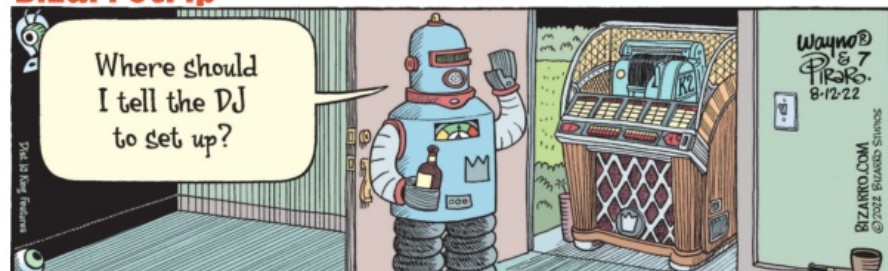
made at each step answering to the clue given.

COMICS

Redeye by Mel Casson



Bizarrotrip



Diamond Lil



Hart of the city



Crankshaft



Mutts



WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 - Apr 20
Today your subordinate staff may be cooperative which may help you to complete postponed projects. You are likely to join some social events, which may boost your network. It may help you in your work or social life. You may plan to go for an outing with friends. Some disputes with friends may be settled now. Students are advised to avoid carelessness.

Leo Jul 24 - Aug 23
Today new sources of income may likely be opened. Your past investments may make a good profit, which will boost your bank balance. You may likely connect with a social organisation, which will increase your network. Singles may find a soul mate.

Sagittarius Nov 23 - Dec 22
Today you are blessed by the moon. Love would be in the air in terms of personal life. Singles may find a suitable match. You may do better in your professional life. Your friends and subordinate staff are likely to support you.

Taurus Apr 21 - May 20
Today your communication skills will help you on the professional front. You may likely be more polite with everyone around you, which may help you to speed up your projects. Love birds may likely exchange their views with each other, which may make the foundation of their relationship stronger.

Virgo Aug 24 - Sep 23
Today blessings from elders may make you confident. You should follow your intuition before taking any initiatives which may help you at work. Your intuition may help to gain more in terms of finance. You may likely visit some religious place with your family members. You must control your arrogance to enjoy your domestic life. Students may expect good results.

Capricorn Dec 23 - Jan 20
Today you may be able to make a balance between your earnings and expenses, which may boost your bank balance. You may likely perform better in your job. Your boss can give you new responsibilities. You may get back your money which was stuck. You may be able to control your opponents and hidden enemies.

Gemini May 21 - Jun 21
You are blessed by the moon today. A new partnership may give you benefits. Your energy level may likely be high. Your hard work and enthusiasm may pay you off in terms of financial gains. Self-respect may protect you from negativity around you.

Libra Sep 24 - Oct 22
Today you may expect some instant gains in your business, which may boost your confidence level as well as your bank balance. Try to avoid stress in domestic life. There would be some momentum on the business and work front. You may also plan for an overseas trip.

Aquarius Jan 21 - Feb 19
Today you may feel dull due to sleeplessness which may affect your working efficiency. You may plan to visit some religious places. But by late evening things will be better. You will realise your mistakes and make a good plan for the coming day. You are advised to take care of your parent's health.

Cancer Jun 22 - July 23
Today you may feel dullness and unhappiness. You should avoid difficult conversations with friends and family members. You may also not be able to get proper reciprocation for your hard work. You need to follow your intuition. Try to be patient while taking some important decisions.

Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 22
Things would not be favourable today. You may feel dull and unhappy. Some mysterious fear may make you upset. You may be attracted by the occult. You may feel a lack of confidence, which may affect your work. It is advised not to go on risky adventure tours.

Pisces Feb 20 - Mar 20
Today you may be in a hurry. You are advised to drive safely. With the blessing of the elders, you may come out of a messy situation. You are likely to be more romantic towards your partner and there will be harmony in domestic life. You may expect some positive results in new partnerships. Students may hear some good news.

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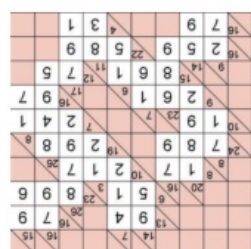
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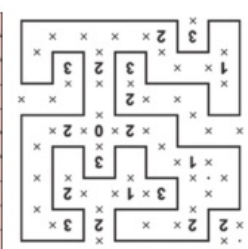
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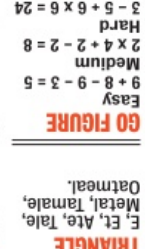
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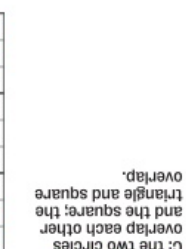
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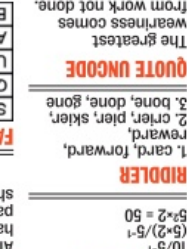
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STRIKE OUT



BULL'S EYE



SOLVE IN 1M

'Gave me goosebumps'

Shilpa Shetty is the latest fan of Kantara

Actress Shilpa Shetty, who is the latest to shower praise on director Rishab Shetty's critically acclaimed Kannada film 'Kantara', said that the film took her back to her roots.

Taking to Instagram, Shilpa Shetty, whose mother tongue is Kannada, wrote: "Appreciation post for 'Kantara'. Watched the film in the theatre... Oh My God! What a narrative, emotion, vibe and world."

"Had goose bumps during the climax! The power of cinema transports the watcher into this world. A world I belong to! Really took me back to my roots."

"Without any bias, this one's a must watch just for the sheer brilliance of story telling, performances, heart, faith and direction. Whoa!!

"Rishab Shetty - hats off to your conviction and versatility. You have worn many hats in this project and added feathers to it too. Enjoy the success."

A series of celebrities across south Indian film industries have been lauding



the film. Only recently, actress Anushka Shetty had said: "Watched 'Kantara'.. Totally totally loved it. Congratulations to each and every actor, producer, technicians." "Team 'Kantara', you all were amazing, and thank you all for the experience. Rishab Shetty you were amazing. Please watch the movie in the theatres. Don't miss it!"

A couple of days before, Tamil star Dhanush and Telugu star Prabhas had lauded the film. Dhanush had said: "'Kantara'... Mind blowing!! A must watch... Rishab Shetty, you should be very proud of yourself. Congratulations Hombale Films. Keep pushing the boundaries. A big hug to all the actors and technicians of the film. God bless."

— IANS



SANDALWOOD SHOTS
Y MAHESWARA REDDY

Sizzler for Hubballi Dhaba

Srinivas Raju who is known for his Kannada and Telugu movies is all set to release his latest movie Hubballi Dhaba next month. This movie is scheduled to be released simultaneously in Telugu and Kannada on November 4. It is said an item number - Thaggodilla - has been garnering some attention. Nayana Ganguly, who is one of two leading ladies in Ram Gopal Varma's movie Maa Ishtam, is the star of the item song. Thaggodilla is written by V Nagendra Prasad while Mohana Bhogaraju has sung the song. Mohana earned a name for the song - Irukuppo - from the Telugu movie Bahubali.

Hubballi Dhaba is Raju's 10th movie as director. Raju told BM that the film is a murder mystery. "It is fiction. The story is about incidents that happen in 24 hours. The other interesting element of this movie is the cameo appearance of actors who were in my earlier movie Dandupalya," said Raju. The casting shows Raju has kept in mind Telugu and Kannada audiences. The cast includes Naveen Chandra, Divya Pillai, Ananya Sen Gupta, Ravi Shankar, Raja Ravindar, Ayyappa Sharma, Naga Babu (Mega Star Chiranjeevi's brother), Prithvi, Pooja Gandhi, Ravi Kale, Petrol Prasanna and Jaidev Mohan.



Laugh out loud

After a gap of three years, director Mayurra Raghavendra is busy with his latest Aba Jaba Daba, an out-and-out comedy flick. His previous movie was Kannad Gothilla, a strange tale of non-Kannadigas going missing in Bengaluru. "As per plan, I wanted to direct a movie for actress Rachitha Ram but the budget of that movie made me postpone the plan. In the meantime, I wrote the script for this movie and its title was decided while interacting with my brother and niece. I told my brother that I did not understand what my niece told me. I said her conversation is like Aba Jaba Daba. That's where the title of the movie comes from," said Mayurra Raghavendra.

Prithvi Ambar plays the lead role and Ankitha Amar is paired with him. "I am happy to share screen space with veteran actress Urvashi. I liked the script written by Mayurra. This movie has all the elements, including comedy, fantasy and good songs," said Prithvi.

Ankitha is in the role of a playback singer who is an hardcore fan of SP Balasubramanyam. Sangeetha Bhat is playing a different type of role in this movie.



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